



Memorandum

To: Rules Committee

From: Councilmember Madison P. Nguyen

Subject: Approval to Travel

Date: October 16, 2006

Approved

Madison P. Nguyen

Date: 10/16/2006

RECOMMENDATION

Approval of the following travel request:

Authorization for:

Councilmember Madison P. Nguyen

Speaking Engagement:

Asia 21 Young Leaders Summit

Travel dates:

Seoul, Korea---November 17-19, 2006

Source of funds:

Asia Society, a 501c3 organization based in New York with national offices in San Francisco, Los Angeles, and Washington DC as well as several countries.
www.asiasociety.org

Purpose:

The inaugural Asia 21 Leaders Summit will be held this year in Seoul, Korea on November 17-19, 2006 at the Shilla Hotel. The Summit will bring together a core group of Asia 21 Young Leaders Forum Fellows and up to 200 participants representing a wide range of fields.

The Asia 21 Young Leaders Summit aims to help prepare tomorrow's leaders for the challenges and responsibilities of global citizenship by bringing together fellows from across the Asia-Pacific to generate creative, shared approaches to leadership and problem solving. This Forum will raise visibility across Asia for the work and vision of young leaders to address critical global issues.

At the invitation-only, three-day Seoul Summit, young leaders will explore possibilities for using values-based leadership to address the Asia Pacific community's greatest challenges. In addition to keynote speeches including Korean Prime Minister Han Myeong Sook and former Korean President Kim Dae-Jung, break out sessions, and panel discussions, the Summit will feature performances, art work, and a live blog. Delegates will also be encouraged to develop proposals for public service projects.

The identification of Korea as the location for the inaugural summit represents an important and critical strategy. Korea's democratic, technological and economic development will be upheld as a model for the region. The Korean government has demonstrated strong support for the conference with Foreign Minister Ban Ki-moon pledging support for the successful launch of the Summit.

COORDINATION

This memo was coordinated with the City Attorney's Office.

cc: City Clerk